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Attorney General John Ashcroft Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530-0001

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

In accordance with the Tunney Act, I am writing in regards to the DOJ settlement with Microsoft. I am sorry that there was a case to begin, with but I'm happy that there's finally a settlement in this whole matter.

It's a good settlement for its "tough but fair" nature. The penalties for not abiding by the terms are strong; contempt of court is a very serious charge, and there are many different ways that the suit might be broken. Every facet of Microsoft's operation, from licensing to marketing to software design is affected by the settlement in some way.

I am happy to see that Microsoft will finally be able to get back to business and help out our economy in this recession. They are an example of a good American company and have unfortunately been persecuted for outdoing their competitors with a better product.

I hope that you consider my opinion as well as those of other people who write in to you supporting Microsoft and please pass on our opinions as well as the torms of your settlement to the nine states and the DC government, who still refuse to settle their case against Microsoft.

Sincerely,

Stanley Kimmel